



West Virginia University SGA Meeting 9/11/2019, 2019-2020 Administration

I. Call to Order at 7:30PM in Mountainlair Student Union

II. Reading of the SGA Mission Statement

“We, the students of West Virginia University, desire to preserve within our University and the Student Government Association, an atmosphere that helps to foster an open exchange of ideas with civil discussion, inquiry, and self-expression to help ensure that the personal freedoms and general welfare of the students within our University are protected, and to promote the principles of diversity and responsible self-governance.”

**Moment of Silence taken and dedicated to those who lost their lives during the 9/11 terrorist attacks.*

III. Roll Call

1. *President Pro Tempore Rawson*
2. *College Senator Altieri*
3. *College Senator Buggs*
4. *Senator Collie*
5. *Senator Cunningham*
6. *Senator Dashaun*
7. *College Senator Dillie*
8. *Senator Donnelly*
9. *College Senator Doran*
10. *Senator Edwards*
11. *College Senator Evans*
12. *Athletic Senator Graham*
13. *Senator Harman*
14. *College Senator Hatfield*
15. *Senator Helm*
16. *Senator Ihlenfeld*
17. *College Senator Jalso*
18. *Senator Jones*
19. *College Senator Cappadona*
20. *Senator Kumar- Late added to minutes by Assembly*

21. *College Senator Lombardi*
22. *College Senator Matus*
23. *College Senator Mills*
24. *College Senator Nash*
25. *Senator Ovide*
26. *Senator Pressley*
27. *College Senator Santiago*
28. *College Senator Shoemaker*
29. *College Senator Slack*
30. *Senator Teufel*
31. *Senator Zanabli*

IV. Reading and Approval of the Minutes

Senator Matus: The minutes from last week's meeting have been posted. Are there any changes or edits that need to be made to those minutes? Seeing none.

Approved

V. Open Student Forum I

Senator Matus: Anything for open student forum 1 ?

Senator Zanabli- So on September 18th there is an opiate summit at the coliseum its a new initiative created by the state, WVU, and Marshall there will be 7000 high school students pulling up at the coliseum where a former SGA Vice President will come in and give a speech about his struggle with addiction his senior year of college and his experiences with recovery. Ive spoken with people about setting up an SGA table at the event. I forgot to mention My platform will be based on drugs and abuse of those drugs and the recovery that comes with that, this is the first real event like this. This is nice because they will be doing the same thing at Marshall the 19th and they will be live streaming it to middle and high schools where over 300000 people will tune in to the event. Part of this initiative is be a game changer where we talk about addiction and try and remove the stigma around it, so yeah.

VI. President's Report –

President Dye: So if you haven't noticed we are missing a lot of people. This is because they have left. For the big !2. Conference I will be leaving tomorrow after the board of governors

meeting. I will be giving a report on that as well as the Board of Governor's meeting when we get back at next weeks meeting. Please just bear with us this meeting we are missing a lot of people and Senator Matus is doing an awesome job. I want to remind you that we will have a financial bill tonight we have moved to the consent bill so that means its voted on unanimous consent or something is completely removed from it for it to go back to the bureau of finance. Other than that there are a couple events in September; So diversity week is the 16th-20th, its also our theme for the month, so the inclusion committee is working hard to get things together they're planning our town hall which is on the 26th 6:30-7:30 I will send all this information out agin this will be an opportunity for different administrators and speakers to come to the lounge and students to ask questions. We will also be releasing our 10 for 10 related to diversity and inclusion our CIO Hunter Moore back there is getting that together. We would love to see a lot of participation doing diversity week, the events are really cool if you haven't looked at the schedule uhm that weekend the 21st-22nd is the wine and jazz festival which we have collaborated with the company to get free shuttle busses from the lair on Saturday and siunday we asked the DA and U.92 to put it out there as well That weekend I think is the international street food festival which sounds fun if you'd like to participate in that as well. The following week the 23rd-27th is hazing prevention week so lots happening in September the hazing prevention taskforce which I sit on has been planning events a countable which SGA will sit on is in the works if anyone feels inclined to write legislation about hazing, diversity and inclusion, or any events that are happening please do so on the 24th we are invited to go to President Gee's house for a little Q&A so obviously we will be sending sign ups everyone is welcome in the organization and I will be sending a survey for 3 topics that you feel most strongly about that you'd like to get information on. Also that week, we will be doing a safety gear distribution with UPD similar to how it worked last year we have iron on reflective patches UPD has create dsome literature for pedestrian safety and distracted driving tips so those will be going out as well. Also that week on the 25th before our SGA meeting we will be having title XI training at 6:30 and also that week is the town hall like I talked about. The 23rd-27th is going to be a pretty pretty busy week for us so please sign up and go to what you can. Lastly our intern program the applications are closing this Friday were are looking pretty good at meeting our cap for that. If you are receiving an intern please listen to intern-coordinator Williamson's emails and show up early for the first meeting so you can meet your intern. Next week when the interns are coming we will have a speaker. Its a previous VP of SGA he will talk about addiction and recovery. Thats all.

Senator Matus- Yes Madam President

President Dye: We have a new college Senator Alex Cappadona this is because we had a resignation by the previous college senator Tyler Knight so Alex was the next highest vote getter so please give him a warm welcome. Just be nice to him and he's excited to get to work. I just didn't want you to not know who that was and the also be aware we had several resignations so we will be putting a committee together as the constitution says to fill those vacancies on the assembly. Thats all forreal.

VII. Assembly Reports –

Senator Matus: Moving right along, do any assembly members have a report?

Senator Dashaun- I just wanted to update everyone on my resolution me and Senator Zannabli as well as a former SGA senator came to a meeting and discussed the accommodations we were looking for. Meal accommodations will be discussed in the spring. And then we will be meeting with the office of the provost to see what can be done for exam accommodations.

Senator Donnelley- So I have a fresh update from about an hour and a half ago. Building on what I said on the meeting Dr. Hernandez got back to me with the results from the study and a lesson plan for an activity this month. So I am really excited to say that we have materials to accomplish these goals. She also invited myself and a few others to conference. That is where we are at right now.

Senator Pressley- Im part of a new org we are having a bake sale for “colorism”. With cupcakes of every shade to show every color is pretty. Thank you.

VIII. Executive Reports –

Steven Murphy- I just wanna hit a couple points here are a few things i'll be working on as the legislative affairs officer. Id like to inform everyone on probably a bi-weekly whats going on at the WV state level of the legislature. Obviously as the legislative session begins in Charleston I will update you all on whats going on, this will include policy briefings in which i'll set up presentations on policy that may have an affect on the student body or the West Virginia populous as a whole. If any of you have a policy thats pressing or that you'd like to hear about please contact me. We can work on a presentation together. This will eventually lead to the WV day at the legislature. I would like to spear head this that way when we get there eventually we are informed on topics that wed like to speak to them about. Keeping everyone informed to this is key so we know what wed like to bring up and discuss. I have been in touch with the head of fairness WV which is a non-partisan wide civil rights advocacy organization its devoted to the fair and equal treatment of lgbtq West Virginians I would like to further collaborate with them this year, I will be sending volunteer forms to fill out if you're interested in that. There will be more details as the year proceeds. That is all I have today Thank You.

Zoya Khan-Just a reminder Im the student orgs liaison primarily working with BOF SEL and the student experience committee. We had our first BOF meeting which went very well IM also working with Treasurer White and CIO Moore to update the website a little bit, It is in its basic structure right now and we would like to get the ground running. So like I am working on new content for the BOF side of the website so its like more of a resource for student org so if any of you have any ideas for like what kind of info for student orgs on the SGA website, since a lot of

you are part of other student orgs on campus, we would love your input please message me. If you give me ideas I can do my best to work off of those. President Dye and I had talked about a student org of the week in our newsletter and then also promoting it on our social media and that will be coinciding with the initiative we have every month.

Hayden Moran- I just wanted to give an update wont he morgantown city council meetings, they've been inviting us to partake in the complete count for the 2020 census. Knowledge of the locale and people skills are needed to get all the cross sections of the community for, again, the 2020 census. The census is how the city gets all its money for the programs. They are looking at us to help, we should as members of the community not just members of SGA. Last week I attended my first city council meeting and I plan to brief you bi weekly on local issues for example last week they approved a proposal to designate September 21-27 climate action week and other general activities. After the meeting we were invited to celebrate the city managers birthday, as we did at cold stone creamery. If you have anymore questions or want to assist with the 2020 census feel free to see me after the meeting. That'll I have on my end.

Dominique Villaseñor -Im the inclusion committee chair just some events put on your radar it is a very busy month for everyone. It is diversity and inclusion week the 15th-20th Khufu Edwards was generous enough to organize a sign up sheet for events that week the committee will try and be very present but obviously it'd be nice to havre the whole org. The inclusion committees social media takeover will be during diversity week if you have any suggestion or ideas we are open. You all know about the town hall again suggestions for speakers its the 26th 6:30-7:30.

Hunter CIO- Like Kate said we are doing 10 for 10 trying to get that out this week that will be probably be at 4 AM this morning or sometime later this week. In any case that will be out soon and hopefully surveys out on Tuesday. We need to push that out on social medias. On top of that we will be updating the website and we know everyone wants their own profiles updated and those updates should be rolling out soon. My profile is the only one updated and I plan on beginning to fix all of them soon.

IX. Unfinished Business –

Senator Matus: I will now entertain a motion to consider the 2019-2020 special rules memorandum

Assembly- So moved/seconded

AG Satterfield- *Reading of Special Rules Memorandum in its Entirety

See 2019-20 Special Rules Memorandum

Senator Harman- In section 2 number 5 it lists the president of the senate, is the president of the senate the Vice President?

AG Satterfield- Yes

Senator Pressley- I feel like part is not a good definition of when to stop. In Number 6 ii,

AG Satterfield- So you would like a definition for part?

Senator Pressley- Yes

AG Satterfield- We can discuss that further later for sure

Senator Matus: Any further questions ? I will now entertain a motion to move into discussion.

Assembly- So moved/seconded

Senator Ihlenfeld- I move to strike section two number six part five seeing from the special rules seeing we can move to previous question that will limit debate. We have talked about how everyone should have a voice for the student body and I feel as if the part limits that.

Senator Kumar- Seconded

Senator Matus: We will now move into discussion of the amendment.

Senator Harman- I agree with Senator Ihlenfeld I feel it limits our ability to express our opinions.

College Senator Dilley- I understand where you're coming from, but cant we always just suspend special rules. If we don't feel like 5 minutes is enough we can just suspend the special rules.

AG Satterfield- Just to jump in, if this whole thing passes as is you would have one extension and it would go to ten minutes. Also, you always have the option to suspend special rules if you feel like its inhibiting you as an assembly member.

Senator Ihlenfeld- I understand where you're coming from, but suspending the special rules is on the same level of moving to previous question and ending debate. Just on principle I feel as if its better to start us on a level of not limiting us versus starting on a point of limitation and then having to suspend those rules limiting us. Just in my opinion.

College Senator Jalso- I believe what Dilley said. We need to make the most efficient use of our time. Suspending the rules would allow us more discussion but having this rule in place helps with efficiency. I agree with the proposal.

Senator Pressley- You said that extension just applies to one conversation on the agenda like for 10 minutes and then we would have to suspend special rules after that to talk longer?

AG Satterfield- The extension applies per discussion. Each item.

College Senator Shoemaker- How will we go about the extensions, I feel like we will be focused on time the whole meeting and thinking about extending the time. How would we go about extending the time if this were to take affect?

AG Satterfield- So basically we would keep time up here and when it got to 5 minutes for the extension we would have to get majority approval from you guys.

Senator Cunningham- I voice my support for the amendment I feel like its unneeded and suspending special rules would just take too much time.

Senator Ihlenfield- Its already been five minutes discussing this and I just want to say that cam up relatively quickly. So this time goes quickly where we will end up extending the time or suspending special rules and this process itself is going to take a lot of time. Moving to previous question would just be simpler.

Senator Kumar- I move we vote on this amendment by a show of hands

Assembly- Seconded

Amendment 1: passes 17-6

Striking Section 2 Article 6 clause 5

Senator Harman- I would like to speak to Senator Pressley's concerns, I think that the phrasing of the clause should be that speakers should have the ability to yield to questions whenever they please. I think that the way its worded is confusing

College Senator Buggs- Can everyone just speak up when we are discussing I just don't know if its because where I'm sitting but can everyone just speak up.

Senator Harman- I move that we amend section 2 article 6 clause 2 to say that speakers giving a presentation have the ability to yield to questions at their own discretion.

Assembly- Seconded

Senator Matus: We will now move into discussion of the Amendment.

Senator Kumar- I move to vote on the amendment by a show of hands

Assembly- Seconded

Amendment 2: passes 23-0

Changes Section 2 Article 6 clause 2

Senator Kumar- The one part that standing out to me is Section 2 Article 6 Clause 6 it just seems that the chair has the ability to end any discussion at all I don't know just seems like that a lot what do you guys think?

Senator Collie- I mean its specified if the forum is coming off topic its not in general where its just up to them it is specified when it can be used

College Senator Shoemaker- Can we just meet in the middle and say if they were to do that we should have the ability to vote that down?

Senator Ihlenfeld- Maybe there could be a 2/3rds veto option if the chair does this and its unwanted.

AG Satterfield- You do have the option to suspend special rules if this is to pass.

College Senator Shoemaker- I would like to amend the clause to add the possibility of a 2/3rds veto

Senator Kumar- Seconded

Senator Matus: We will now begin discussion on this amendment

Senator Kumar- This amendment just allows a 2/3rds veto

Senator Dashaun- I believe that we can all agree for the most part that the chair is wise and that if there is meaningful discussion going on it wont be stopped if its meaningful and necessary. I don't think this amendment is necessary.

Senator Kumar- I move we vote on the amendment by a show of hands

Assembly- Seconded

Amendment 3: does not pass 9-14

No Addition of a 2/3rds veto option added to Section 2 Article 6 Clause 6

Senator Matus: Moving back to the discussion of the special rules. Is there any further discussion on the Special Rules? Seeing none I willow entertain a motion to vote on the special rules.

Assembly- So Moved/seconded

Senator Matus: we will now vote on the special rules by a show of hands

Special Rules: passes 23-0

X. New Business –

Senator Matus: I now entertain a motion to adopt FB 2019-01 via unanimous consent excuse me thats incorrect, yes I will now entertain a motion to approve the bill via show of hands.

Assembly -So moved/seconded

FB 2019-01 passes 22-1

XI. Open Student Forum II

Senator Matus: Does anyone have anything to say for open student forum II?

Senator Harman- I just want to say I like this seating arrangement a lot better.

XI. Advisor's Report II

N/A

XIII. Adjournment –

Senator Matus: I will now entertain a motion to adjourn.

Assembly- So moved/seconded

Meeting adjourned – 8:20 pm
